



# City of Clarkston Proposed 2013 Budget

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# OVERVIEW

- ▶ Healthy Fund Balance = \$1,933,050 (70%) of GF
- ▶ Ended FY 2011 with \$120,000 Budget Surplus
- ▶ Balanced Budget
- ▶ Proposed 2013 General Fund budget **\$3,321,280**
- ▶ 2012 General Fund budget **\$2,900,590**
- ▶ 14% increase from FY 2012

# OVERVIEW

- ▶ Health Insurance Cost = \$195,000/\$209,850
- ▶ Retirement Benefits Cost = \$92,000/\$115,000
- ▶ Salaries = \$1,310,124/\$1,380,400
- ▶ Capital Projects Lease Purchase/Loans = \$216,000
- ▶ Total: \$324,126

# OVERVIEW

- ▶ Health Insurance Cost = \$195,000/\$209,850
  - 6.3% of General Fund Budget
  
- ▶ Pension Plan Cost = \$92,000/\$115,000
  - 3.46% of General Fund Budget
  - Healthy Pension Plan – Funded Ratio = 112.06%
  
- ▶ Salaries = \$1,310,124/\$1,380,400 (5.3%)
  - 41% of General Fund Budget
  - \$127,625 reduction due to shift to Storm water

# COST CONTAINMENT/CUTTING MEASURES

- ▶ Group Health Insurance costs reduced 7% for 2012
- ▶ Pension Plan costs reduced 20% for 2012
- ▶ 2013 Pension Plan costs at 2010 amount
- ▶ Waste Hauling contract reduced 8.7% for 2012/2013
  - Change in contract scope to include yard waste = reduced cost in several other areas (landfill down 28%)
  - Holding vacant 1 public works position

# COST CONTAINMENT/CUTTING MEASURES

- ▶ Privatized CSX ROW mowing & maintenance
  - More cost-effective with superior results
  - \$37,000 included to cover cost of agreement
  - Hold vacant one full time position – cover costs
- ▶ MOU with DeKalb Vehicle Maintenance
  - Reduced travel time
  - Reduced “out of service time”
  - Hourly labor rate reduced by 33%
- ▶ Vehicle Repair budget reduced by 23.6% in 2012/10% in 2013

# OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- ▶ Milam Pool - \$40,000 included for pool management and operations
- ▶ Eliminate compensatory time
  - \$26,000 accrued financial liability
  - Pay out over two budget cycles
  - FY 2012 & 2013 eliminated by managing time off

# REORGANIZATION

- ▶ FY 2012 hired Public Works Supervisor
- ▶ Beginning in FY 2012, the Sanitation and Streets departments have been combined under a new department of Public Works
- ▶ Some of the costs previously contained in this budget have been moved to the Storm Water Enterprise fund budget
- ▶ This shift accurately reflects the cost of activities dedicated to this function and will reduce the need to fund these activities out of the general fund budget
- ▶ Total budget for the new Public Works department has been reduced by \$127,625 or 3.84% of GF budget (1.88 mills)



# REORGANIZATION

- ▶ In order to better serve our business and development community, a department of Planning and Development was created in FY 2012
- ▶ An existing position was reclassified to create a new position titled Planning and Development Manager
- ▶ This department is now responsible for all zoning, building inspection and permitting functions
- ▶ The Planning & Development Manager manages the activities of our technical consultants and provides technical assistance to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Code Enforcement and the City Manager

# REORGANIZATION

- ▶ Effective and professional code enforcement is an important function of any municipal government
- ▶ Given the unique demographics of our residential and business community, the need for continual education, assistance and enforcement is even more pronounced
- ▶ Although approved for a full time position in FY 2012, the current Quality of Life officer works part-time
- ▶ Budget includes recommendation to combine two part time Deputy Court Clerk positions into one full time Clerk position

# CAPITAL PROJECTS & DEBT SERVICE

- ▶ City Hall Annex
  - \$700,000 lease purchase
  - 15 year amortization
  - \$60,000 annual payment
  
- ▶ Streetscape Project
  - \$3.6 Million FHA Earmark
  - \$2 Million SRTA loan
  - 15 year amortization
  - \$98,000 FY 2013 payment (estimate)

# CAPITAL PROJECTS & DEBT SERVICE

- ▶ Public Works Building & Storage Yard
- ▶ Need
  - Equipment, vehicles and supplies stored offsite on non-city property
  - Equipment subject to vandalism, weather
  - Occupies valuable space at City Hall
  - Public Safety space needs
- ▶ GMA Lease Purchase
  - Estimated costs - \$250,000
  - 5 year amortization
  - \$58,000 annual cost

# STORMWATER UTILITY

- ▶ Regulatory requirements by Ga. EPD
- ▶ Implement Clarkston Storm Water Management Plan
- ▶ Current Balance = \$288,996
- ▶ FY 2013 Revenue Estimate = \$129,000
- ▶ Transfer from surplus funds = \$158,600
- ▶ Total FY 2013 Expenditure = \$287,650
- ▶ 2 storm water capital projects in 2013

# SANITATION ENTERPRISE FUND

- ▶ Sanitation Fund performing adequately
- ▶ Projected Revenues = \$150,020
- ▶ Project Expenditures = \$150,020

# GRANT AWARDS

- ▶ 2 Grants awarded in FY 2012 for FY 2013 projects
- ▶ Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG)
  - \$24,000
  - Storm water capital projects
- ▶ ARC – “Last Mile Connectivity”
  - Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety/Education/Training
  - \$72,000 grant
  - 20% match (\$18,000)

# REVENUES

- ▶ The proposed 2013 General Fund revenue estimate is **\$3,321,280** which is \$420,690 more than in FY 2012
  - 14% increase
- ▶ Property Taxes = \$945,000
- ▶ Court Fines = \$821,930
  - Property Taxes and Court Fines = 53.2% of Revenue
- ▶ Franchise Fees = \$233,500
- ▶ Insurance Premium Tax = \$390,000
- ▶ Rents & Royalties - \$95,000
- ▶ Pool Revenue = \$30,000



# ADOPTION PROCESS

- ▶ The proposed 2013 budget transmitted to the Mayor and Council on November 6, 2012
- ▶ Copies available for public review at the Clarkston Branch Library, Clarkston City Hall and on the City of Clarkston website
- ▶ A public hearing will be held on November 27, 2012
- ▶ Citizens will be afforded an opportunity to provide comments and feedback on the proposed budget
- ▶ Budget resolution will be prepared and in your packets this Friday
- ▶ Budget adopted at the City of Clarkston Council meeting on December 4, 2012

**Thank you!**

**Questions?**